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| <ol> <li>I.</li></ol>  | o letter mailed on 28 June 2005                               |  |
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| 7. 🛮 The reason(s) below:  |   |  |
| The attorney of record (Richard Golhofer) indicated  | l over the phone that the applicat                            | ion has gone abandoned.                  |
|  | $\bigwedge$   | VIJAY CHAWAN PRIMARY EXAMINER            |
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